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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c.118G and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, as amended, a public hearing will be held Friday, October 23, 2009 at 10:00 AM at the Division of Health Care Finance and Policy ("Division"), 2 Boylston Street, 5th floor, Boston, MA relative to the adoption of new regulation:

114.4 CMR 13.00: Payments for Youth Intermediate-Term Stabilization Services

The proposed regulation will set unit rates for Youth Residential programs within the Department of Public Health. These services provide comprehensive alcohol and drug treatment services in a residential setting for children, adolescents and young adults in crisis. To develop the rates, the Division reviewed the DPH program model and providers' 2008 UFR data. Based on this review, the Division is proposing a Youth Intermediate-Term Stabilization rate of \$186.40 per client per day. The regulation also establishes general rate provisions, reporting requirements and penalties.

The Division is proposing this regulation to maintain access to intermediate-term stabilization programs for children, adolescents and young adults and to ensure that the payment rates are consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care. There is no anticipated fiscal impact. The effective date of the regulation is November 1, 2009.

Interested parties are encouraged to submit comments on these amendments. All persons desiring to be heard on this matter are hereby notified to appear at the designated time and place. Persons intending to speak will be afforded an early opportunity to testify if the Division receives notice by 5:00 pm on Thursday, October 22, 2009. All others will be heard subsequently. Written comments may be sent to the Division at Two Boylston Street, 5th floor, Boston, MA 02116.

Copies of the regulation are available for inspection and/or purchase at the Division, Two Boylston Street, 5th floor, Boston, MA 02116 or you can access them free of charge in the Regulations section of the Division's web site located at www.mass.gov/dhcfp.